



Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission April 19, 2011

Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held on April 19, 2011, 6:30 p.m. in the Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present: Katie Barone, Jeff Darge, Maria Eller, Dirk Fenstermacher, Nick Gaitan, Varun Gregory, Ben Moffat, Will Morgan, , Anjali Nair, Ashley Noble, David Reynolds, Katrina Rodrigues, Kristen Rund, An Tran, Grayce Whiting, and Kaylee Wong.

MEMBERS Absent: Rafael Gutierrez, Lauren Milovich, Sanna Rahman, Marcos Souffle, and Humza Zubair.

City Staff Present: Kim Bauman and Peggy Goldberg.

Guests Present: Juliet Farr, Macy Ruiz, Emily Morhet, Rachel Hattasch, Leigh Farr, Barbara Gorton, Jeffrey Farr, Callahan Farr, Michelle Hattasch, Amy Morhet, John Morhet, Erin Dueck, Bill Much.

Agenda Item 1- Call Meeting to Order

Nick Gaitan, MYAC Chair called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Minutes from April 5, 2011 Meeting

An Tran read the minutes from the April 5, 2011 meeting.

MOTION: Ashley Noble motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Dirk Fenstermacher seconded the motion.

DECISION: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Treasurer's Report

An Tran provided the treasurer's report.

Agenda Item 4- Rover Elementary Brownie Troop-Environmental Efforts

1) Rover Elementary School Brownie Troop members Julie Farr, Emily Morhet, Macy Ruiz, and Rachel Hattasch presented their ideas on how to make Rover Elementary School, and other schools, more eco-friendly.

- They researched how many Styrofoam trays Rover Elementary Schools uses and how the use of these trays adversely impacts the environment as well as individuals' health.

- The troop presented their findings to the Tempe Elementary School Board and their suggestions to replace them with healthier, greener solutions.
 - The troop suggests using sugar cane, wheat straw, tater and recycled paper trays.
 - Based on their suggestions a pilot program will be implemented at Rover School to stop using Styrofoam trays one day a week and replace them with paper boats for hot meals. Once the program is tested at Rover it will be used in all the TEDS schools. This effort will eliminate approximately 5,500 Styrofoam trays each week.
- 2) Nick Gaitan explained to the troop MYAC's role in the City and how environmental sustainability was a topic at this spring's Youth Town Hall and also in the commission's Reading Rocks project. The commission will try to mention the troops efforts when they present on 2011 Youth Town Hall suggestions to the Mayor and City Council.
- 3) The troop was commended on their efforts to promote a healthier, greener Tempe.

Agenda Item 5 – Announcements

There were no announcements.

Agenda Item 6– YouthFest Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition

Attendance at the event on April 25th and attendee responsibilities were finalized. Members need to arrive at 5 p.m. and must have their own transportation to and from the event.

Agenda Item 7– Reading Rocks Final Activity Planning

The final Reading Rocks occurred today at Curry and was reported by participants as very successful. The final activity at Kyrene del Norte will occur on Thursday.

Agenda Item 8– Year-End Celebration

The final meeting of the 2010-11 school year will be on May 3rd. Members were in agreement to have a year-end celebration with pizza.

Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items

- YouthFest Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition Dinner
- Reading Rocks Project
- Year-End Celebration

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Prepared by: Kaylee Wong

Reviewed by: Kim Bauman

Nick Gaitan, Chair
Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission